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## **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1026**

### **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT AND ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA.**

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1       Whereas, the United States armed forces, a force comprised of active,  
2 National Guard and reserve personnel, are now undertaking courageous and  
3 determined operations against Saddam Hussein's harsh, dictatorial regime; and

4       Whereas, the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-338) stated  
5 that it should be the policy of the United States to support efforts to  
6 remove the regime headed by Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq and to promote  
7 a democratic government to replace it; and

8       Whereas, on October 16, 2002 the President signed into law House Joint  
9 Resolution 114 of the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Authorization for Use of Military  
10 Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107-243), which provides  
11 congressional authorization for the use of military force against Iraq; and

12       Whereas, on November 8, 2002, the United Nations Security Council  
13 unanimously adopted Resolution 1441, which provides that Iraq "will face  
14 serious consequences as a result of its continued violations of its  
15 obligations" to disarm in accordance with all relevant United Nations  
16 resolutions. Iraq continued to remain in material breach of these  
17 resolutions; and

18       Whereas, on the evening of March 17, 2003, the President of the United  
19 States issued Saddam Hussein and his sons a final ultimatum to leave Iraq  
20 within forty-eight hours or face United States military intervention; and

21       Whereas, on March 18, 2003, the President transmitted to the Speaker  
22 of the United States House of Representatives and the President pro tempore  
23 of the United States Senate his determination, consistent with the  
24 Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002, that  
25 reliance by the United States on further diplomatic and other peaceful means  
26 alone will neither adequately protect the national security of the United  
27 States against the continuing threat posed by Iraq nor likely lead to  
28 enforcement of all relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions  
29 regarding Iraq. Further, the President's use of military force against Iraq  
30 is consistent with necessary ongoing efforts by the United States and other  
31 countries against international terrorists and terrorist organizations,  
32 including those nations, organizations and persons who planned, authorized,  
33 committed or aided in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

34       Whereas, when Saddam Hussein failed to comply with the President's  
35 forty-eight hour ultimatum, the President ordered United States armed forces  
36 to begin military operations against the forces of Saddam Hussein during the  
37 evening of March 19, 2003; and

38       Whereas, acting under the code name of Operation Iraqi Freedom, the  
39 United States and allied military forces are engaged in a battle to liberate  
40 Iraq, remove Saddam Hussein from power and neutralize Iraq's weapons of mass  
41 destruction. They are performing their missions with great courage and  
42 distinction in carrying out air, land and sea attacks against Iraqi military  
43 targets; and

44       Whereas, the ability of the armed forces to successfully perform their  
45 mission requires the support of all citizens, and the American people have

1 the greatest pride in and the deepest appreciation for the members of the  
2 United States and allied armed forces. They are deserving of the highest  
3 praise for their unwavering commitment to the ideals of democracy and for the  
4 sacrifices they are making on behalf of this nation and the entire world.

5 Therefore

6 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of  
7 Representatives concurring:

8 1. That the Members of the Legislature express their unequivocal  
9 support and appreciation to the President as Commander-in-Chief for his firm  
10 leadership and decisive action in the conduct of military operations in Iraq  
11 as part of the ongoing global war on terrorism.

12 2. That the Members of the Legislature express their gratitude for the  
13 members of the United States armed forces who are serving in Operation Iraqi  
14 Freedom and recognize their excellence, patriotism and exceptional bravery.

15 3. That the Members of the Legislature extend their prayers and best  
16 wishes for the families of the United States military personnel who are  
17 serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

18 4. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies  
19 of this Resolution to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the  
20 United States House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the  
21 United States Senate, the Secretary of the United States Department of  
22 Defense and the news media of Arizona.


APPROVED BY THE HOUSE APRIL 8, 2003.

APPROVED BY THE SENATE APRIL 8, 2003.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 8, 2003.

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Speaker of the House  
Pro Tempore

  
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Chief Clerk of the House

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President of the Senate

  
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Secretary of the Senate

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State  
this 8 day of April, 20 03

at 2:53 o'clock P. M.

  
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Secretary of State